

# Request for Continued Examination (RCE) Transmittal

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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 of the above-identified application.

Request for Continued Examination (RCE) practice under 37 CFR 1.114 does not apply to any utility or plant application filed prior to June 8, 1995, or to any design application. See Instruction Sheet for RCEs (not to be submitted to the USPTO) on page 2.

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i. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_.

ii. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_.

b. ☒ Enclosed

i. ☒ Amendment(s) only

ii. ☒ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)

iii. ☐ Affidavit(s) Declaration(s)

iv. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

## 2. Miscellaneous

a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 CFR 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months. (Period of suspension may not exceed 3 months. See 37 CFR 1.170 regarding.)

b. ☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_.

## 2. Fees

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